

SPARETTI HAS DEPARTED—from Rome for the Philippines; audience by the Pope and urged to work to conciliate Americans.

BIG STRIKE IN BOSTON—Two thousand men, comprising longshoremen, freight handlers and teamsters, are involved in a strike in Boston.

FURTHER REDUCTIONS are announced for the last two days of Powell's great sale and those who fail to visit the store are going to miss some rare bargains.

HAKUYO-MARU BROKEN UP—The steamer *Hakuyo-maru*, which went ashore in the vicinity of the Iki islands last month, is reported to have broken up during a heavy gale on the 3rd inst.

A GERMAN LIEUTENANT named von Eichel-Sireber, of the 3rd Uhlans, was killed that he could drink a bottle of brandy in ten minutes. He did so, and was buried with full military honours the following day.

DURING A DEBATE in the United States Senate on the 22nd Feb. Senator McLaughlin called Senator Tillman a liar. Tillman sprang over the desks and struck McLaughlin in the face. A fist fight ensued, which was finally stopped.

A DIGNIFIED PROTEST—The Chinese government has entered a formal protest to Mr. Edwin A. Conger, U.S. Minister to China, against the enactment of the Chinese Exclusion Act, particularly as regards Hawaii and the Philippines.

THE FRENCH MAIL—The Agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes informs us that the Company's steamer *Academy* is due here on the morning of Tuesday, the 25th inst., and will be despatched for Europe on the afternoon of the same day.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE BRITISH NORTH BORNEO COMPANY have ordered that the newly acquired territory between the Sipitong and the Trusan shall be known as Province Clarke. Also that the government station hitherto called Tenom shall in future be known as Fort Birch.

TWO MILLION CIGARS are said to be now on the way from the Philippines to America. It is thought that by the middle of March, at the latest, there will be ten times that number consigned to American tobaccoists from the Philippines. It is also said that the different factories in the islands are working night and day.

THE STEAMER HAILONG, which recently arrived at Manila from Hongkong, consigned to W. F. Stevenson and Co. has been chartered by the U. S. Quartermaster department and will be used in the coastwise service. The ship is the same style as the *Hai Mun* lately released from charter by the government.

PING PONG still continues to rage furiously, as General Dool's followers say when describing the machinations of a nameless gentleman. Messrs. W. Brewer & Co., despite the fact that they are constantly ordering from home, are again "sold out," and are anxiously awaiting the next consignment. Pingpongitis is now epidemic in the Colony.

TO STUDY WESTERN LIFE—There is reason to believe (states the *Birmingham Post*) that, as a consequence of certain representations which have been made in Peking, some 30 young Chinamen of good family will be sent to Europe later in the year for the purpose of studying Western life in order to fit them for official positions in China.

COAL IN THE FAR EAST—The production of Japanese coal-mines during 1901 is estimated to have been about 7,000,000 tons, of which about 3,000,000 tons was exported to India and Malaya. In general the quality is inferior, there being a high percentage of ash in the product of nearly all the mines. The mineral is of the semi-bituminous grade and the seams are not large.—*Indian Engineer*.

THE INDIAN representatives at the Coronation have India about the middle of May. T. Sullivan, Lieut. near Aden, has accepted an appointment to be present at the ceremony, says *India contemporary*. In his studies at Aden, he has a pure white horse and mare brought from India that he intends as a present for King. He has also some very old silver-plated guns of Arab manufacture and other articles that have been put aside for presentation to His Majesty.

THE FOLLOWING PROMOTIONS were notified by Admiralty on 11th ult.—Vice-Admiral Sir E. Dromey to be Admiral, Rear-Admiral A. Fanshawe to be vice-admiral, Captain Sir Chichester, Bart. to be rear-admiral; Vice-admirals retired J. F. G. Grant and H. F. Geland to be admirals on the retired list, all date from Jan. 25. Admiral Sir C. G. Fane, been placed on the retired list, to date from Jan. 25. Commander W. V. Anson has been placed on the retired list with the rank of captain, date Feb. 6.

COOL CHECK—On the train running through Shang-Tung, curious incident has just taken place. When it reached one of the intermediate stations it stopped for a short time. The head engineer alighted and went to the station. It happened that in this station there was an "undisciplined" German who formerly was also engaged in the railway service and was accordingly well acquainted with the management of the engine. He, upon seeing that the head engineer alighted from the train, quickly ran up to the engine and set the train going. He put the train in full speed, and on reaching the place where he wanted to stop he stopped the train, alighted and quietly went away.

COTTAM & CO. DENTS DRIVING GLOVES.

WONGCHEUK, a baker, and occupying No. 306 Queen's Road Central was charged at the instance of Inspector Knight for not keeping his premises in a clean condition. The seriousness of the case, especially in these days of sickness, necessitated the Magistrate imposing on him a fine of \$35, which was paid.

REBELLIONS AND RUMOURS of rebellions seems to be the present fad of China. Not content with the rebellion in the South, another one has recently started in the North, at a small prefecture called Yit Ho. The rebels are led by one Tang, a *literati*. The object of this rebellion is not to overthrow the present Manchu dynasty, but simply to fight against the heavy imposition of taxes, now levied in all parts of China. It is reported that the Imperial troops were routed in a conflict on the onset. Yuan Shi-kai has sent additional forces for the suppression of the rising.

MAN WANTS BUT LITTLE here below we are told, but the wording of the following advertisement from a Straits paper looks as if some people wanted a lot:—

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A billet as a Foreman Platelayer with 13 years experience in open lines as well as constructions. Excellent testimonials. Age 30 years.

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Just imagine trying for a billit with 13 years experience; excellent testimonials and an age of 30 years attached to it! We never heard of anything in that line before.

AFRAID OF CONTRACTING INDEPENDENT AND REPUBLICAN VIEWS—The Chinese Minister at Japan Choy Kwan has sent a despatch to the Cabinet praying that in future not to send any more students to Japan, as he has every reason to believe that when these students get over to Japan, they acquire habits, ways and customs quite antagonistic to the Manchu government. The despatch was finally forwarded to Prince Ching and Wan Wen Shou, who has now given orders that in future no more students are to be sent to Japan. The present minister at Japan was lately Tantai of Shanghai, and during his stay there looked upon as a very enlightened and progressive man. What put into his mind to take the action as he has done, we are quite unable to fathom.

SHIPOWNERS AND OFFICERS.
ANOTHER DISPUTE.

We learn that a dispute has arisen between the owners of the *s.s. Perla*, the China and Manila Steamship Company, and the Officers of that vessel, with the result that the ship is unable to proceed to sea. The Officers state that the agreement recently made with the Owners regarding the increased rates of pay demanded has not been adhered to, and hence the present action is taken. It appears that a new chief officer was engaged for the *Perla* at \$100 per month, but as this is below the minimum of \$18 per month agreed to by the China Coast Officers, among whom are many Naval Reserve men, as a chief officer's pay, the other officers of the vessel have refused to sail with her. The Officers appear to be determined to stick to their point and say that the questions of pay and position of officers on the China Coast must be settled once for all. We are also informed that the Officers of the *s.s. Zafiro*, now in port, will refuse duty in the event of the Owners proving obdurate. As the Officers say that they are strongly backed at home by the Merchant Service Guild and by various associations out here, it looks as if the affair would be fought to a finish.

On application at the office of Messrs. Sheehan, Tomes & Co. we were informed that they declined to discuss the matter.

THE KWANG-SI REBELLION.
FURTHER REBEL VICTORIES.

FOUR PROVINCES NOW AFFECTED.

News continues to arrive in dribbles from the disturbed area in and around Kwang-si, and everything points to the fact that the rebellion is daily gaining ground. It has now spread to four provinces, Kwang-si, Yunnan, Kwang Tung and Kwei-chow.

The rebels are reported to have gained two more victories, having defeated the Imperial troops sent against them at Sek-shing, a district town between Lien-chow and Tien-pak, in Kwang Tung, and at Po Pak, a district town to the north-east of Lin-chow, in Kwang-si. Both of these towns are held in force by the rebels, who are rapidly accumulating supplies of all kinds and enlisting recruits.

In Yunnan the rebels hold the district town of Foo-chien, about twenty miles north-west of the prefectural town of Yunnan, and have established head quarters and a recruiting station there.

In Kwang-si, the important prefectural town of Lu-chow, situated in the Lung Kiang, a branch of the West River, has fallen into the hands of the rebels.

All the principal passes leading into the disturbed districts are held by the insurgents, and as Generals Sou and Ma have reported to the Canton Viceroy their inability to suppress the rising with the troops at their disposal, a request has been sent to Yunnan for reinforcements from the north. As it will take over a month for these troops to arrive overland the rebels will doubtless be a deal stronger by the time they reach the scene of action.

As we reported yesterday, the commander-in-chief of the rebels is Hung Ming, a relation of the leader of the Taiping rebellion, and a military graduate. His second-in-command is a military graduate of the name of Kwok.

COTTAM & CO. FLAID RUGS and SILK MUFFLERS.

THEATRE ROYAL.

H.M.S. "IRRESPONSIBLE."

The Dallas Company is evidently above such well worn proverbial as "Familiarity breeds contempt" for it is evident, from the crowding of the house, that the more we know them the more we appreciate them.

H.M.S. "Irresponsible" is one of those delightful light and airy pieces written for the benefit of those who love to laugh. The plot, what there is of it, is extremely amusing and gives many opportunities for excruciatingly funny incidents. Capt. Chepstowe R.N. is about to take command of his "boat" and is taking passage in the usual passenger ship, which unfortunately is wrecked on the coast of the island of Samnos. The inhabitants of this island are described as "up-to-date" brigands, who receive Capt. Chepstowe and the other passengers in the approved brigand style. The gallant Captain overhears the Chief Brigand and his Lieutenant discussing as to how some delicacy shall be served for dinner and promptly comes to the conclusion that he is to be "stuffed and boiled!" He thereupon changes clothes with his valet in the hope that the brigands may mistake the master for the man and *vice-versa*. Which they do. The question of ransom having arisen and been settled the money is paid over (though it is recovered by a trick) except £1,000. The brigands ask the ostensible Capt. Chepstowe if he has any objection to his valet being detained as a hostage; naturally he accepts this proposition with alacrity. H.M.S. *Irresponsible* is sent down to pick up any survivors from the wreck and the whole party, except Capt. Chepstowe, is rescued.

The next scene is on board the *Irresponsible* and the antics of Jim Slingsby (the valet), who of course is now in command of the ship, are intensely funny. He eventually disguises himself as a stoker to escape meeting Admiral Sir Vicars Maxim, who comes on board to inspect the ship. This only increases his difficulties, so he jumps overboard as the curtain drops on the second act. In the third act he comes up smiling, having been picked up by a passing ship and landed in the Turkish city of Sunpua where he is acting as a waiter at "Abraham's Restaurant." There all the other characters turn up, including Capt. Chepstowe, who has apparently been ransomed. The play then concludes in general congratulations and Jim Slingsby marries the girl of his choice and "lives happily ever after," as they used to say in the days of our youth.

This play is undoubtedly what our American friends call "a one horse fig," that part which makes the play being taken by Mr. Dallas. It is the part of Jim Slingsby, and was most ably interpreted and carried through. For comic songs recommend us to Mr. Phil. Carlton, whose "Can't he take my word?" and "Don't apologise" were received with rounds of applause, the latter song being given as an encore. Of the other songs Mr. Dallas' "Conversation," Mr. Munro's nursery rhyme song, and Miss Isabel Vernon's "Bonnie banks of Loch Lomond," an old favorite, were well rendered and received. Space forbids further details, but the acting may be summed up as excellent, the dresses as pretty, and the scenery, especially in the last two acts, as quite the best that has appeared in Hongkong.

We append the programme:—

CAST.
Jim Slingsby (Capt. Chepstowe's Valet) Mr. Henry Dallas
Bob Chaffers (Mr. Dallas' Friend) Mr. D. Munro
Ruffino Raffallo (An Up-to-date Brigand) Mr. Phil. Carlton
Eico (Chief Brigand) Mr. D. Munro
Admiral Sir Vicars Maxim, K.C.B. Mr. W. Ritter Riley
Capt. Grimshy Chepstowe (H.M.S. *Irresponsible*) Mr. Percival Knight
Lieutenant Angus Anderson (H.M.S. *Irresponsible*) Mr. Harold Godwin
Harold Dundas (Captain, Borderlands Buffs) Mr. E. Eversleigh
Hornio Nelson (Midshipman) Miss Nellie Curtis
Fred de Courcy (Midshipman) Miss Florence Love
Geoffrey Walker (Midshipman) Miss Daisy Albert
Albert Drake (Midshipman) Miss Daisy Albert
Boy of Sunpua (Mr. C. Repton)
Olive Chepstowe (Miss Marie Arnold)
Diane de Montaigne (Miss Bertha Hunter)
Hon. Gwendoline Lovell (Miss Jessie Campbell)
Lady Clarehaven (Miss Nellie DeLons)
Victoria Chaffers (Miss Isabel Vernon)

SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY.
English Villages, Brigands, Slaves—Misses Campbell, Featherstone, Ebel Mackay, Beryl Mackay, Della Lee, Rosie Blair, Madon, Hilda and Rosie Blair.

Act 1.—The Island of Samnos.
Act 2.—Deck of H.M.S. *Irresponsible*.
Act 3.—Turkish Bazaar at Sunpua.

In this act Miss Mary Fitzgerald will introduce her celebrated Gaiety Girl Dances.
New and Elaborate Scenery by Mr. W. H. Palford.

Stage Manager—Mr. Harold Godwin
Musical Director—Mr. W. F. Vallance
Scenic Artist—For Mr. Henry Dallas
Lighting Operator—Mr. W. H. Williams
Property Master—Mr. F. L. Montague

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.
SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.
(Before His Lordship A. G. Wise, Acting Chief Justice).

March 19th.

ALLEGED LARCENY.
The further hearing of the charge of larceny against Chan Chi was proceeded with.

Mr. Morgan Phillips appeared on behalf of the Crown, and Mr. Slade (instructed by Mr. J. Hastings, of Messrs. Deacon, and Hastings) defended.

The jury was sworn as follows:—Messrs. J. M. Meier, T. Arnold, M. S. Lima, R. Saxon, F. T. Colson, R. W. Inglis, and A. V. Apar.

Further evidence was taken and after Counsel had addressed the jury and His Lordship had summed up, the jury retired and after a short absence returned into Court with a verdict of not guilty on all three counts.

This afternoon Chan Chi was further charged with the felony of other jewellery. Another jury was empanelled and prisoner pleaded not guilty to three different counts.

Evidence was taken and the case was adjourned.

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Intimations.

SANITARY BOARD NOTICE.

IN view of the prevalence of CHOLERA in Canton, the public are hereby warned against the CONSUMPTION OF UNRIPE or OVER-RIPE FRUIT, UNCOOKED VEGETABLES and UNBOILED MILK or WATER.

By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1902. [309]

NOTICE.

IN view of the intimate connection between PLAGUE and RATS, the Sanitary Board invite the attention of householders to the fact that RAT-CATCHERS supplied with the necessary TRAPS, &c., will be sent to any domestic building which is infested with Rats upon application to the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1901. [324]

THE HONGKONG AND KWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at NOON, TO-MORROW, the 20th March, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1901.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 20th instant, both Days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1902. [327d]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 22nd March, 1902, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1901.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 22nd instant, both Days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1902. [306d]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, on THURSDAY, the 27th March, 1902, at 3 P.M., at the CHAMBER ROOM, City Hall, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee and passing the Secretary's Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1901.

By Order,
R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [329d]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, on THURSDAY, the 27th March, 1902, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1901.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th instant, both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1902. [379d]

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FOR THE CANTON CLUB.

A LIBRARIAN capable of Revising and Re-organising the Catalogue of the Books—English, French, and German, in the Library. Apply, stating Salary required, to the SECRETARY, Canton Club, Canton Club, 15th March, 1902. [328d]

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WANTED.

A POSTMASTER, British North Borneo Government, a CLERK experienced in Postal Matters. Salary \$50 per month. Apply giving full particulars and Testimonials to the Secretary to the Governor, LABUAN, 17th February, 1902. [206d]

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A N EXPERIENCED FOREMAN for a Government Timber Mill. Must be thoroughly acquainted with the erection and management of Timber-cutting Machinery. Forward copies of recent testimonials and state Salary required to the DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, SANDAKAN. [151d]

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A YOUTH to act as JUNIOR REPORTER, one with a knowledge of shorthand preferred. Apply by Letter to "JOURNALIST," 170 The Office, Hongkong, 10th March, 1902. [199d]

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1901. [19]

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Notice of Firm.
NOTICE.
I HEREBY beg to give Notice that I have sold this Day HANDED OVER CHARGE of this Agency to Mr. B. W. NUTTALL, J. BROWN, Agent for SMITH BELL & Co., Manila. Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [339d]

Masonic.
EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 5 for 30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [147d]

"Miss Washington, let me present Mr. Turret. He's not married either, and he wants to be, for he has just told me so. You'd make a fine young couple, just suited to each other. I hope you'll be happy, and with that the representative of the Celestial Empire withdrew, leaving an embryo admiral and possibly a future society leader blushing crimson and speechless with embarrassment."

"The best part of the story is that within half a year Wu's match-making bore fruit, and the young people were married."

AS OTHERS SEE US.

THE HONGKONG BANK AND ITS DIVIDEND. In the course of his speech at the annual meeting of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shareholders, Mr. Shaw, the Chairman, urged the new Chief Manager to "set his face like flint against the clamour of speculators for bigger and still bigger dividends." Now it is worth while pointing out, in view of this reference to the clamour of speculators, that speculation may be either reckless or legitimate, and that it is to be condemned not intrinsically, but as it approaches the former and recedes from the latter characterisation. Very many of the transactions in which a Bank engages are of the nature of speculation, and if their success were invariably certain the profits made would not be so large. Such speculation is of course perfectly legitimate in finance, as in business generally. What the Chairman doubtless had in view in this denunciation of speculators was the purchase and sale of stocks for delivery without any shares being held by those who dealt in them. This of course is merely

A FORM OF GAMBLING which prevails on bourses and stock exchanges all over the world, and in deciding what proportion of its profits shall be distributed in the form of dividend a corporation like the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank is quite justified in ignoring the wishes of speculators who buy for a rise with the object of selling again immediately, and not to secure a legitimate interest in the affairs of the institution. But it may be questioned whether the evidence of dissatisfaction, slight though it may be, which prompted the Chairman's remarks, exists simply among disappointed speculators. There appears to be also a feeling among some shareholders that the

BANK'S ADVISERS ARE TOO CONSERVATIVE in placing such large amounts to reserve year by year and writing property account down to nil, and these believe that large profits could be distributed without damaging the position of Bank in the slightest or reducing the market value of the stock. On the other hand, the regular customers of the Bank might urge that as the profits are in large part derived from the business they bring to the Bank, they on their side are entitled to participate in the Bank's prosperity by receiving more liberal treatment—a reduction of interest on advances and a raising of interest on deposits. The reply would doubtless be a reference to the law of supply and demand, and the evidence that good profits can be made safely and securely on the terms offered. However, this is to deal with another subject, and has no direct bearing on the relations between the management and shareholders. Moreover, the policy adopted by the management, which Mr. Shaw described as never allowing the interests of the Bank to be sacrificed to the mere desire of making a fine show before the world, has undoubtedly met with success. At the end of 1894 shares were worth \$262.50, while in December of last year they were quoted at \$322.50; in other words, besides receiving a substantial dividend each year, the value of holdings has more than doubled, even when allowance is made for the depreciation of silver. At present prices the rate of dividend regularly declared still means a return of 5 per cent. on the investment, not at all bad interest on the price of gilt-edged stock. In London the stock is quoted still higher than in the East, and it is significant of different views on the matter of interest that at least two-thirds of the stock is held at home. But, allowing for all this, it is still worth consideration whether the policy of piling up reserves and writing off property is not

A LITTLE OVER-DONE. The subscribed capital of the Bank amounts to \$10,000,000, and there is a reserve liability on the part of shareholders to the extent of another \$10,000,000. In January of 1894 the reserve amounted to \$4,500,000, and there was carried forward to next account \$106,460, the sum thus held in reserve being considerably under five millions altogether. At the last meeting the accounts approved showed that the reserve had reached \$14,500,000, and there was carried forward \$1,438,248, thus showing an increase to the Bank's reserve of more than eleven millions in seven years. But this is not all. For some years the policy has been pursued of writing down the property account by large sums, so that it will soon stand at nil in the books of the corporation. Besides the valuable offices at Hongkong, some twenty or more of the premises occupied by the Bank's twenty-six branches are owned by the corporation, while the property account only stands on the books at half a million.

WHY? We can understand the principle of maintaining a large reserve, because this not only adds to the stability of the Bank but gives Government and local authorities, as well as the general public, confidence in their dealings with such an institution. But why should a Bank reduce the apparent size of its reserves by not finding a place on its balance-sheet for the valuable property in its possession? Not only do the buildings and landed property find no proper representation of their value, but the furniture, including the many valuable safes, are taken as nil. When everything is taken into consideration it would seem that the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank possesses pro-

perty worth some four or five million dollars not accounted for in its balance-sheet, thus really holding an additional reserve and bringing up the total reserve to the neighbourhood of twenty millions, or of thirty millions if the reserve liability of shareholders be taken into consideration. In the face of these figures it seems to us that shareholders might quite reasonably

ASK FOR THE INCREASE OF DIVIDEND without coming under the suspicion of being mere speculators—speculators in the rambling sense of the word, that is. Of course the question to be considered is whether the Bank can or cannot afford to pay a higher dividend without injury to its stability or its reputation. Probably this question has often formed the subject of discussion and consideration on the Board, and the reasons which have prompted the more conservative attitude to be adopted are worthy of respect as being at least an error on the safe side. Yet it may be doubted whether the time has not arrived when the great success of the corporation—a success which there is at present no reason to suppose is at an end—should not be recognised by dividing some portion of the increased profits among the stockholders instead of placing them year after year to a reserve that appears more than sufficient to guard the Bank against danger. This is a case where there seems no special reason for laying up treasure for posterity.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

A BOER IN A BOX.

STOWED IN THE HOLD OF A CASTLE LINER. The Prisoner Recaptured and Returning to St. Helena.

An officer of one of the Union Castle mail steamers has related the full story of the way in which Commandant Smonnberg, an escaped Boer prisoner, who had managed to conceal himself as a stowaway, was discovered. He says:

"On 16 Dec. we left Cape Town for England, via St. Helena, Ascension, and Las Palmas. We arrived at St. Helena on 22 Dec., discharged passengers, mails and baggage, and cargo. Amongst the latter was an innocent-looking case addressed to a captain of the 4th Gloucestershire Regiment. Its exact dimensions were 4ft. 3in. by 2ft. 4in., of 2-in. deal, with two lots of battens round it at about one-third of its length, and two more across the ends. Little did anyone think what the case contained."

"At 5.30 on Christmas morning the baggage hatch was opened to get the mails and parcel post on deck, two of the crew going down below to sling them. When they came on deck one of them reported that there was a stowaway down below, but as we were close up to the anchorage at Ascension the hatches were put on and a hand left to see that nobody came up or went down."

"After the ship was anchored, I went on to the bridge and reported the matter to the captain, who sent a man down the hatch to find the man, but could see nobody. Thinking that perhaps the man had imagined he had seen someone, I questioned him about it but he was confident, and said the stowaway had asked him not to give him away. I continued the search looking everywhere, even searching the hold, which he might possibly have got into by means of a small ventilator, but no signs of him were to be found."

"The captain, wondering why I did not bring the stowaway along, came to the hatch and asked where he was, and I told him he was not to be found. He then questioned my informant, and got the same story as he had told me. However, he had to be found, so we determined to get all the baggage up, but on hearing the order given a voice said, 'I will give myself up,' and then a head and after it a thin body and a pair of thin legs appeared from the wooden case referred to."

BOER PRISONER RECAPTURED. "As soon as the man was out, he said, 'This has been worse than hell,' and I can believe it. After he had squared himself up a bit, I took him to the captain, who was on the promenade deck with Col. Evans, the military officer commanding the troops at St. Helena, who at once recognised him as Commandant Smonnberg, a Boer prisoner of war on parole. Smonnberg stated that he had been in the case since Friday, 20 Dec., and had not been able to get out until the 24th, when some baggage had been shifted."

"Taking advantage of the opportunity he came out to stretch himself, but went to sleep and did not awake till he had been sent, but managed to slip back into the case in the darkness of the place, thus accounting for his disappearance when looked for after the ship was anchored."

HARD PRESSED. "His experience of being tumbled about in the case was so awful that when he heard what was going to happen he knew he could not stand it again and gave it up. One can fancy how he must have felt, being 6ft. 3in. He was very weak and had to be helped along, hardly able to stand, but after having some breakfast and a bath he was better and felt more inclined to talk."

"Had he managed to get to England, he said, he was going to wait his chance to get out of the case at night, and wait till the warehouse doors were open, and watch his opportunity to get away to Harwich, and from there over to Holland. Water was his greatest want; he had only enough to last two more days, and had heard the men say it would take the ship nine days to get to Las Palmas so that was another reason that prompted him to give up the attempt."

"Stowed in the case were a bag of biscuits, some tins of extract of meat, two bottles of water, two clean shirts, an overcoat, a pair of trousers, two pairs of socks, a tin containing candles and matches, a bawdry, gimlet, an old morring, chisel, and a flat water tin made to carry about the person without being noticed. On being searched Smonnberg was found to have in his possession £2. 4s. 6d. in money."

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
RIJUN MARU	VICTORIA, H.C. and SEATTLE.	TO-MORROW, 20th Mar., at 4 P.M.
N. Ohno	U.S.A. VIA KOREA and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 21st Mar., at Noon.
IZUMI MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	FRIDAY, 21st Mar., at Noon.
C. H. Muller	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	STURDAY, 22nd Mar., at Daylight.
SANUKI MARU	VICTORIA, H.C. and SEATTLE.	MONDAY, 24th Mar., at 4 P.M.
W. Townsend	U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 25th Mar., at Noon.
IYO MARU	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 28th Mar., at Daylight.
T. Murai	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.
INABA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	FRIDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.
W. Bainbridge	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.
K. Kori	HAMA.	FRIDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.
YAWATA MARU	VICTORIA, H.C. and SEATTLE.	MONDAY, 7th April, at 4 P.M.
A. E. Moses	U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	
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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1902.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

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SHANGHAI	"WOSUNG"	25th March.
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	27th March.
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"	"IXION"	11th "
"	"ACHILLES"	17th "

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FOR LONDON.	STEAMERS	DUE
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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [4]

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Consignees.

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, STRAITS AND MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [324d]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 19th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [325d]

Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"DORIC,"

are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns at Wanchai and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 24th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1902. [1]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE,"

Captain Liddle, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1902. [336d]

"SHIRE LINE."

Hongkong, 18th March, 1902. [336d]

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AGENDA.

Gospel Hall,
6 Arsenal Street, Top Floor,
Of Queen's Road, East.
Meetings are held as follows—
SUNDAY,
Acts 2:42 11 a.m.
Gospel Address 6 p.m.
TUESDAY,
Soldiers & Sailors Bible Class. 6 p.m.
THURSDAY,
General Bible Class 6 p.m.
SATURDAY,
Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
A Hearty Welcome given to all.

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

On date at 4 p.m.
On date at 10 a.m.
Thermometer 29.96 29.86
Barometer 76 75
Humidity 75 77
Rainfall

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

German (Stuttgart) 22nd inst.
French (Yarra) 23rd inst.
Indian (Laisang) 25th inst.
American (Nippon Maru) 26th inst.
American (Peru) 2nd prox.
American (Coptic) 10th prox.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Pekin* left
Hongkong for this port on the 17th inst.

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Ningpo* left Shang-
hai on the 18th inst., for this port and is due
here on the 21st inst.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Yarra* with the next
French Mail, will leave Saigon to-day the 19th
inst., at 9 p.m. for this port.

The J. M. & Co.'s steamer *Laisang* from
Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this
port on the 17th inst., at 5 p.m.

The B. & S. Co.'s steamer *Prometheus* from
Glasgow and Liverpool will leave for Shanghai
to-morrow afternoon on the 20th inst.

SHIPPING GAZETTE.

In future the *Telegraph* shipping form sup-
plied to Captains of vessels will contain a
heading for notices of officers and engineers
transferred or on leave, etc. Friends will much
oblige by giving this information—
January 11th.

Mr. Hutchison, second officer of the s.s.
Whampoa, has been appointed chief officer of
the s.s. *Ningpo*.

Mr. Robert Watson has been appointed
second officer of the s.s. *Whampoa* vice Mr.
Hutchison, promoted.

March 14th.

Mr. F. M. Roxby, 3rd officer of s.s. *Bombay*
has been transferred to s.s. *Arabia*, and Mr. A.
Reddick, is at present 3rd officer.

The officers of the s.s. *Alta* are:—Chief
officer H. J. Charters, 2nd officer S. Pollard,
3rd officer N. R. Bennett.

SWATOW WEEKLY SHIPPING REPORT.

(March 15th, 1902.)

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